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E.O. 11652: GDS TAGS: PINT, PO

SUBJECT: TELEVISION STATION DAMAGED; SEPERATISTS BELIEVED RESPONSIBLE

REFERENCE: PONTA DELGADA 143

- 1. DURING NIGHT MAY 20, TELEVISION TRANSMITTER STATION IN CONSTRUCTION ON SAO MIGUEL VANDALIZED, APPARENTLY BY SEPERATIST ACTIVISTS. DAMAGE CONFINED TO SMASHING ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT, CUTTING CABLES, ETC. NO EXPLOSIVES USED.
- 2. TELEVISION STATION, WHICH SEPERATISTS SEE AS MEANS FOR CONTINENTAL/COMMUNISTS TO EXPAND INFLUENCE AMONG ISLAND'S POLITICALLY CONSERVATIVE AND UNSOPHISTICATED RURAL MASSES, HAS LONG BEEN DISCUSSED AS TARGET FOR SEPERATIST TERRORIST ACTIVITIES. RELATIVELY LIGHT DAMAGE INFLICTED LAST NIGHT, HOWEVER, UNLIKELY DELAY INITIATION BROADCASTS FOR VERY LONG, AND WILL MAKE FURTHER ATTEMPTS DESTROY TRANSMITTER MORE DIFFICULT. SEPERATIST ACTION CLEARLY DEMONSTRATED INADEQUACY GOP ANTI-SEPERATIST MEASURES (REFTEL), WHICH CONFINED ALMOST CONFIDENTIAL

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EXCLUSIVELY TO PONTA DELGADA. TO UPGRADE AND EXPAND SECURITY

MEASURES, LOCAL MILITARY WIL	L NEED SIGNIFICANT INFUSIONS
OF TROOPS AND, ESPECIALLY, VEI	HICLES, PARRIS

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